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SUBJECT: CEMEF REQUEST FOR FELLOWSHIPS

REFERENCES: A) MEXICO 5951; B) STATE 94918

1. BASED ON DISCUSSIONS OF MCLAUGHLIN-CHAMBERS DURING
RECENT CONSULTATIONS ABOUT TRAINING IN MEXICO, WE ASSUME
THE SUBJECT PROPOSAL ORIGINATED WITH THE TWO MEXICAN
SCIENTISTS INQUIRING ABOUT U.S. FELLOWSHIPS AND LATER
RECEIVING SUPPORT OF CEMEF.

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2. IN STATE 94918, WE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE WITH PROPOSAL
FOR THE TWO CEMEF FELLOWSHIPS AND ASKED FOR SPECIFICS OF
PROGRAM TO BE DEVELOPED, GENERAL COSTS LEVELS TO BE
DETERMINED, AND ASSUMED APPROPRIATE SHARING OF COST COULD
BE AGREED UPON WITH CEMEF.

3. NIDA CONSULTED WITH DR. ROBERT BOWMAN, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, AND DR. WALTER FREEMAN, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY REGARDING PROPOSED FELLOWSHIPS FOR CARLOS MANUEL CONTRERAS-PEREZ AND MARIO TERESA GONZALEZ-ESTRADA. DRS. BOWMAN AND FREEMAN ARE WILLING TO HAVE THE TWO MEXICAN SCIENTISTS WORK AT THEIR FACILITIES AS VISITING SCIENTISTS; HOWEVER, FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCOPE OF WORK IS NEEDED.

4. NEITHER UNIVERSITY HAS SALARY OR TRAVEL FUNDS TO SUPPORT PROPOSED ACTIVITIES. CONSEQUENTLY, FELLOWSHIPS WOULD BE CONTINGENT UPON EMBASSY AND CEMEF PROVISION OF TRAVEL FUNDS AND OTHER FINANCIAL SUPPORT REQUIRED BY THE TWO SCIENTISTS DURING THEIR STAY IN THE U.S..

5. ASSUMING SUCH SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE, DR. FREEMAN AND BOWMAN CAN PROVIDE SPACE, FACILITIES AND LIMITED MATERIALS FOR THE TWO NOMINEES TO COLLABORATE WITH U.S. SCIENTISTS IN RESEARCH ACTIVITIES. THEY HAVE TENTATIVELY REQUESTED UNIVERSITY HOUSING FOR THE NOMINEES. IF SUCH HOUSING NEEDED, ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY LATE JULY. SUCH HOUSING COSTS WOULD HAVE TO BE PART OF THE FUNDING.

6. CONFIRMATION OF ADVANCED DEGREE (M.D.,PH.D, OR EQUIVALENT) BE NECESSARY FOR ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINEES AS VISITING SCIENTISTS IN THE PROPOSED UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS. IF EITHER CANDIDATE CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AS VISITING SCIENTISTS, THEN OTHER ARRANGEMENTS COULD BE MADE, BUT ADDITIONAL COSTS UP TO DOLLARS 2,000 EACH MIGHT BE INCURRED.

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7. NIDA HAS RECOMMENDED THAT SUBSEQUENT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE DIRECTLY WITH THE UNIVERSITIES AND INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED. THESE ARE: ROBERT E. BOWMAN, PH.D., DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON, WISCONSIN 53706; TELEPHONE 608-263-3531. WALTER J. FREEMAN, M.D., DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY AND ANATOMY, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA 94720. TELEPHONE 415-642-4220.

8. S/NM ASSUMES THAT THE UNIVERSITIES SELECTED ARE APPROPRIATE TO THE NEEDS OF THE PROPOSED RESEARCH, BUT THIS IS NOT AT ALL CLEAR WITH NO DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAM OF STUDY. A PAPER OF SOME KIND IS NEEDED OUTLINING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE DESIRED TRAINING, A CLEAR DESCRIPTION OF THE TRAINING REQUIRED, AND A RATIONALE RELATING SUCH TRAINING TO THE NEEDS OF THE MEXICAN DEMAND PROGRAM. N.A.U. SHOULD COMPLETE A PIO/P (AID) FORM. THE PROJECT CAN BE CHARGED HERE TO THE

"DEMAND FUND;" AND AID CAN HANDLE THE PROGRAM SUBSEQUENTLY.
AN INDICATION THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE ALSO
SUPPORTS THE PROPOSAL WOULD BE HELPFUL IN ASSESSING THE
VALIDITY OF THE PROJECT. IF THE OBJECTIVE IS TO ASSIST
A U.S. RESEARCH PROGRAM, INC FUNDS CLEARLY UNDER PRESENT
GUIDELINES SHOULD NOT BE INVOLVED. IF IT RELATES TO OUR
INTEREST IN MEXICO AND ASSISTS THE MEXICAN DRUG DEMAND
PROGRAM, INC FUNDS ARE APPROPRIATE. PLEASE ADVISE. CHRISTOPHER

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